

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, The state of South Dakota is the home of Lois Duxbury, and we are richer because Lois lives among us; and,

*Whereas*, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

*Whereas*, Lois was born August 21, 1912, to Clyde and Sarah McNeil at Rose Hill, South Dakota. Lois graduated from Wessington High School in Wessington, South Dakota, and attended Northern State College in Aberdeen, South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, In 1933, Lois married Jay Duxbury, and to this union they were blessed with 4 children, 14 grandchildren, 33 great-grandchildren, and 7 great-great grandchildren; and,

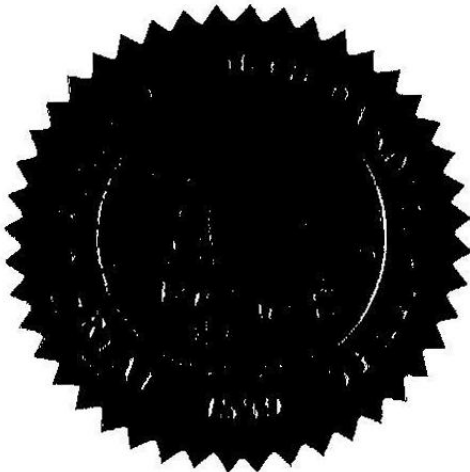
*Whereas*, Lois enjoys baking, sewing, completing crossword puzzles, playing scrabble, reading the newspaper, and spending time with her family. Lois is a member of the Wessington Presbyterian Church, Eastern Star, Rose Hill Pioneer Club, and a supporter of 4-H activities; and,

*Whereas*, Lois resides in Miller, South Dakota and will observe her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her friends and relatives gather to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Dugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 21, 2012, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventh Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

*Dennis Dugaard*  
Dennis Dugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Jason M. Gant*  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State